# 4. During the Count Using Paper Count Forms



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## **Suggested Technology**



It is recommended that users utilize Google Chrome, Firefox, or Safari when using the ATDB. Internet Explorer has limited functionality.

## **When to Use Paper Count Forms**



- Use paper count forms when the mobile app is not accessible or you do not have a smart phone
- Use paper count forms if you prefer or feel more comfortable writing rather than tapping a screen
- Data collected through paper form counts will be binned in 15 minute increments which means some granularity will be lost
- Data will not be available for each facility at the location and will be collected as an aggregate facility

#### **Before the Count Checklist**



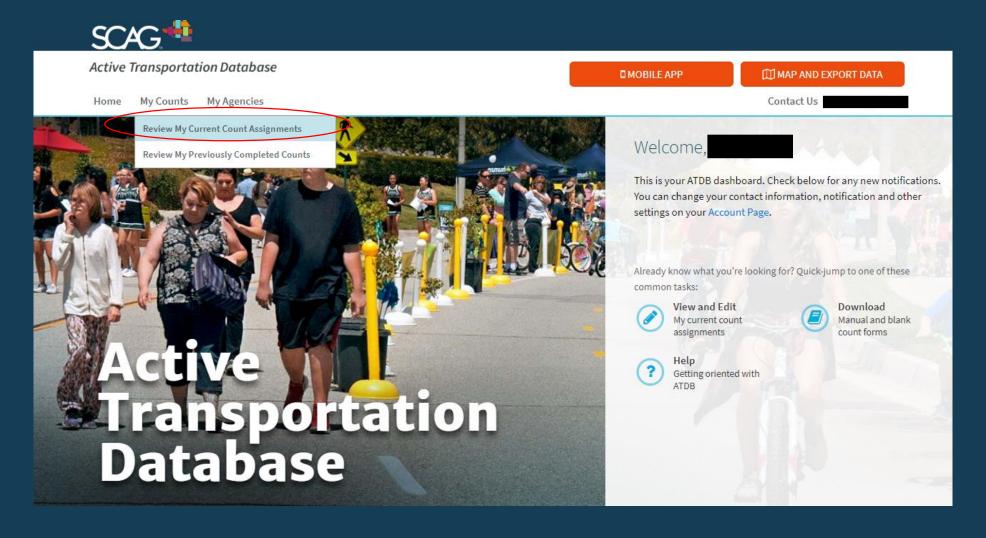
- □ Register with ATDB\*
- ☐ Be recruited by an Agency
- Receive an assignment from your Agency
- Review assignment location, date, details, and instructions
- Print count forms

\*Welcome Email may take a few hours. Please allow time for registration process.





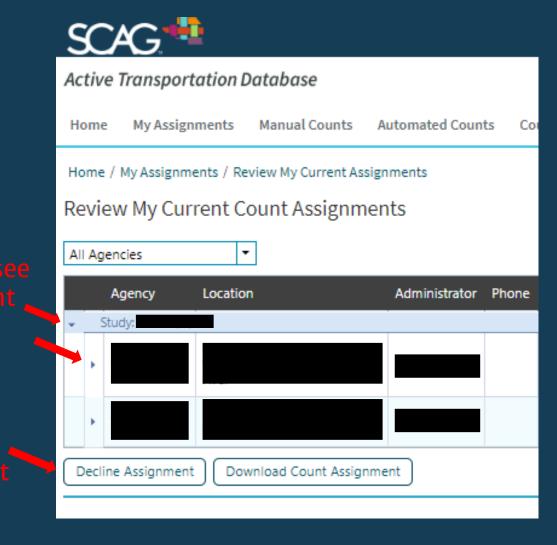
Go to 'My Counts' and select 'Review My Current Count Assignments' subtab







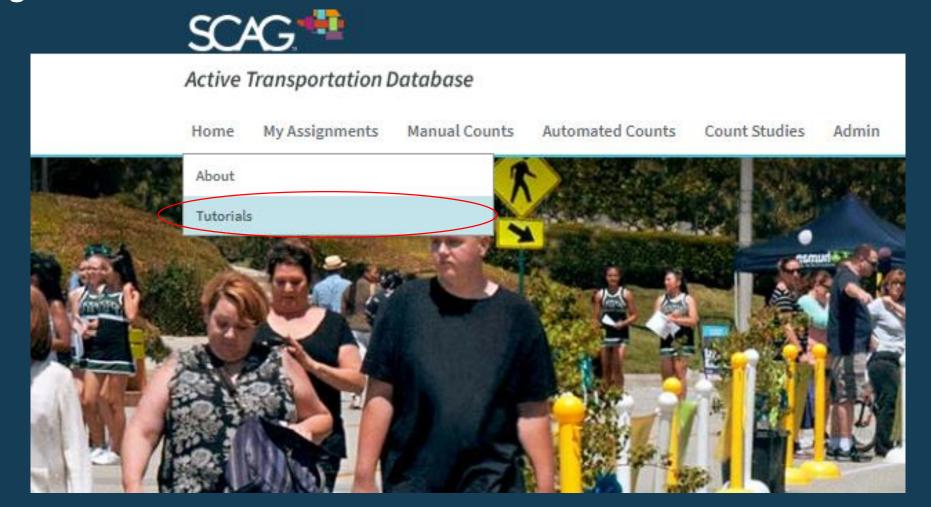
- Select count assignment you wish to work on and expand to review the details and instructions
- If you wish to have a hard copy of the count assignment details and instructions, select the count assignment and click the 'Download Count Assignment' button
- Upon reviewing the assignment, if you do not wish to complete it, select the assignment and click the 'Decline Assignment' button and provide reason for declining
- If you choose to accept the assignment, click the 'Download Count Assignment' and print your forms







Forms are available for download on the 'Tutorials' page in the 'During the Count' section

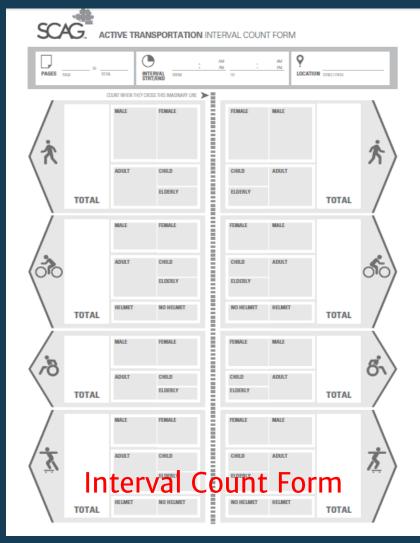






- Use one location cover sheet per assignment
- Use separate interval count forms for each interval. E.g.; if your assignment calls for 15 min intervals for a duration of 120 minutes, use 8 separate interval count forms



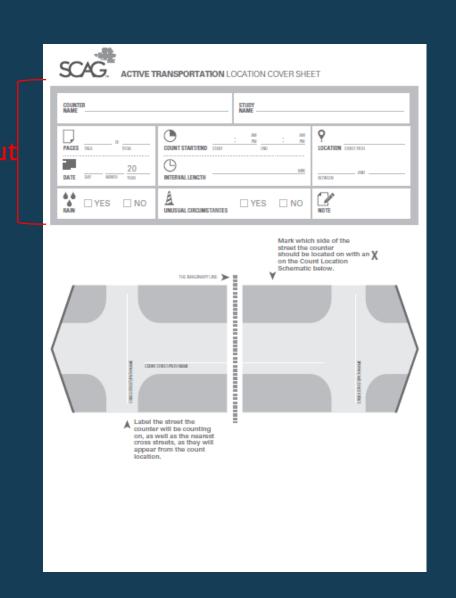


## **Before Starting Count**



- Fill in the following information on the location cover sheet before starting the count:
  - Your Name
  - Name of the Study
  - Date (mm/dd/yr)
  - Start time
  - Interval length
  - Street on, to, and from
  - Is it raining: yes/no
  - Unusual circumstances: yes/no

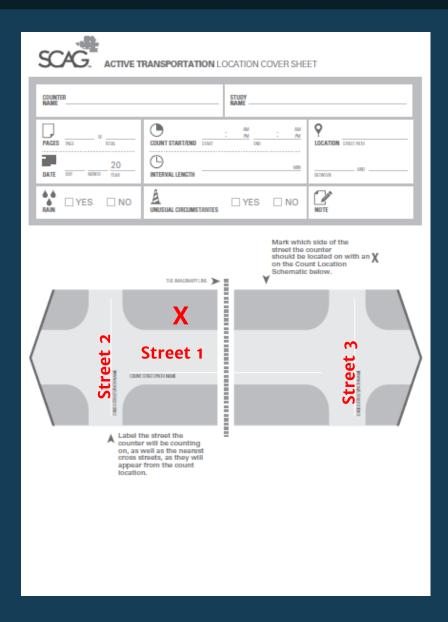
     if yes, describe E.g.;
     construction
  - Page numbers and total, E.g.; 2 of 5
  - Any other notes







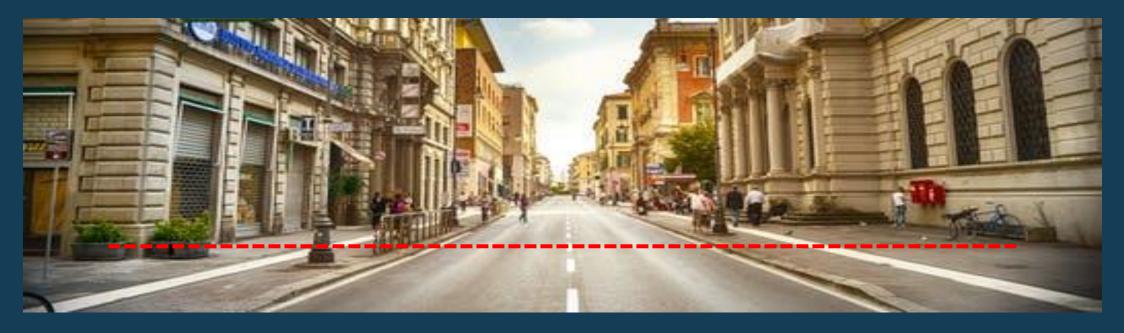
- Count Admin should mark location diagram with an 'X' for where counter should stand and label the streets
- If location diagram is not already filled out by Count Admin, the Counter may fill it out and confirm with Count Admin they are in the right location



## **Before Starting Count**



- Choose your screenline, which is the imaginary line used to count people when they cross it
- Use stationary objects on either side of the street/sidewalk as a reference and imagine a line that connects them
- Choose a safe position where your view will likely not be obstructed
- When counting, focus on your screenline and only count when it is crossed
- Count the number of people that cross the screenline not the number of transportation devices





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- <u>Pedestrian</u>: Any person walking, a child being carried.
- <u>Bicyclist</u>: Any person on a bicycle. One tally per person (tandem = 2). Bicycle trailers = bicycle
- 3 Wheelchair/Mobility Device: Any person using a wheelchair, walker or other mobility device (not canes or crutches)
- Other Wheeled Device: Any person using skates, skateboards, scooters, segways, hoverboards, etc.









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- Example: 2 pedestrians and 1 other wheeled device
  - 1 female adult pedestrian, 1 male adult pedestrian, and 1 child in other wheeled device
- 2 Example: 1 Pedestrian
  - 1 elderly female
- 3 Example: 1 other wheeled device
  - 1 adult male
- Example: 3 bicyclists
  - 1 male adult w/helmet, 1 male child w/helmet, 1 child w/helmet
- 5 Example: 1 wheelchair/mobility device
  - 1 elderly female







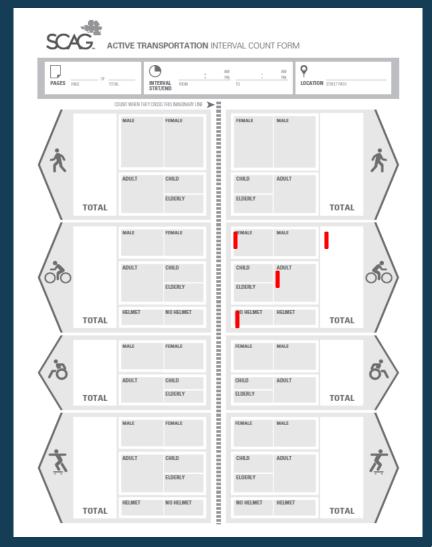








- When a bicyclist, pedestrian, wheelchair, or other wheeled device is observed crossing the screenline, put a tally in the 'Total' box on the appropriate side
- In addition, tally the following observations:
  - Male/Female
  - Adult/Child/Elderly
  - No helmet
- To the right is an example of an observation of one adult female bicyclist without a helmet



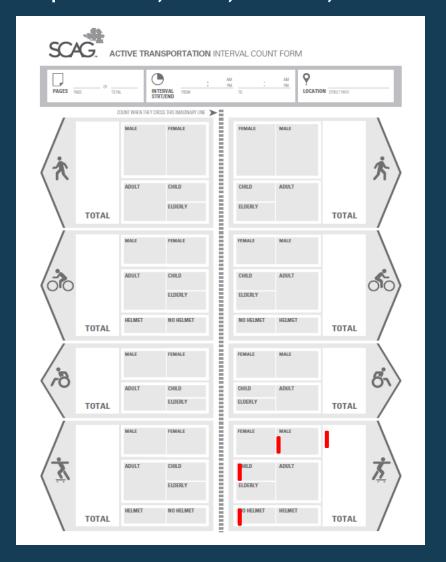




#### Example: Female, adult, pedestrian



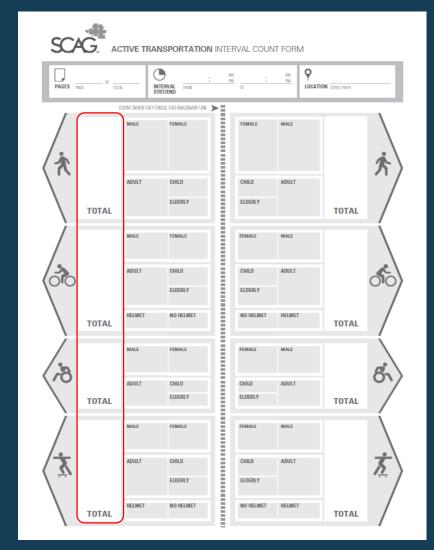
#### Example: Male, child, scooter, no helmet







- When counting busy locations, where all details are difficult to observe, prioritize the 'Total' by mode as the most important field to record (unobserved details will be noted in the database upon data entry)
- Split busy locations into manageable portions by assigning multiple counters



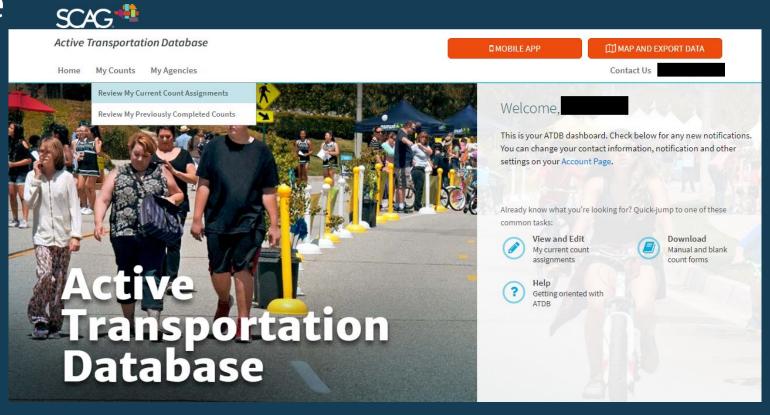




After completing the count assignment submit form to Count Admin

The Count Admin will enter and upload the data into the

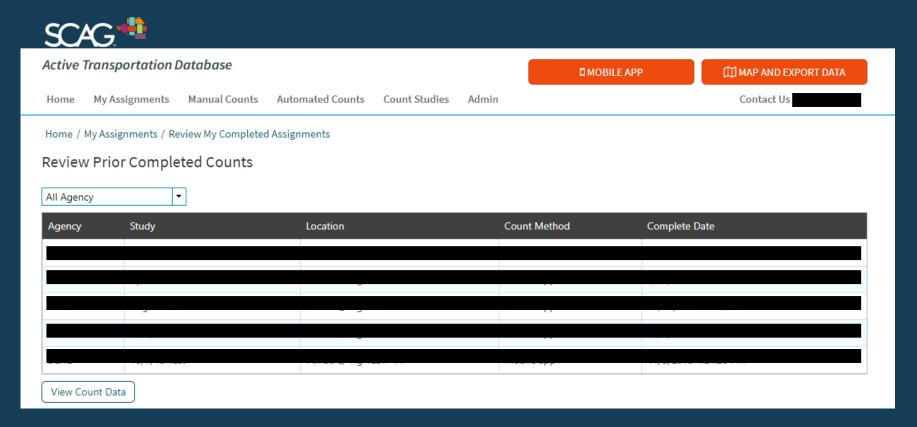
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- After completing the count assignment send form to Count Admin
- The Count Admin will enter and upload the data into the database
- Counters may review completed assignments once data has been uploaded by going to 'My Counts' and selecting the 'Review My Previously Completed Counts' subtab



## Thank You



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